

LYTTON STREET

*Kia ora kia tahi,
kia tahi kia ora*

YEAR 3-6 SWIMMING NEXT WEEK - REMEMBER YOUR TOGS

WELCOME

What a fabulous night we had yesterday. The Whānau Evening went off with a blast. A huge thank you to our wonderful community for such a great turnout. It is terrific to get together at the start of a new school year and have a general meet and greet. Check out the photos to the right.

Yesterday a notice came home about our Learning Conferences. It would be hugely appreciated if you could book your slots as soon as possible. The office is happy to book them for you if you return your form. Thank you for your support.

OPEN COMMUNICATION

A strong home and school partnership is fundamental to a child's success. As such, we operate an 'open door' policy where you are welcome to come and chat with your child's teacher about their learning, progress or a possible concern you may have. While your child's teacher is your first point of contact to talk about your child, you are also welcome to speak with either the Team Leader, Assistant or Deputy Principals, or myself.

WHAT'S HAPPENING LEARNING-WISE

Over the past few years staff have spent considerable time developing a 'way of teaching' that supports the learning and achievement of our children. This philosophy places a strong emphasis on personalising the learning of our students and engaging in their interests. Walker Learning underpins this philosophy.

This year we have employed two consultants to further support our staff and students. A Literacy Consultant, Liz Kane, and also a Mathematics Consultant, Lauren Short. Both will work at our school one day per week. Their role is to provide expertise, observe teaching, and work alongside our students. We are very excited by this opportunity and are sure it will further support your students to reach their potential.



17/03

Thursday 16th February 2017



Check out our website - www.lyttonstreet.school.nz

health & safety at work



REMINDERS

It is timely at the beginning of the year to remind you of some of our Health and Safety procedures and expectations:

- All children are expected to wear a school hat outside in Term 1 and 4. If you do not have one these can be purchased at the school office for \$3.50. Many thanks to our PALS group for subsidising this cost.
- If your child is late to school, or you need to take them out of school for an appointment, please ensure you come to the school office prior to going to the classroom and sign in/out.
- Please do not use the staff carpark to pick up or drop off children.
- Please take real care around Monmouth and Lytton Street, especially during the peak hours of 8.30am-9am and 2.45pm-3.15pm. This is an extremely busy time with many children and their families out and about. It is extremely important that vehicles are parked safely also.



Thank you in advance for the care and consideration you show around our school premises.

SWIMMING LESSONS YEAR 3-6

Swimming lessons begin next week for Years 3-6 and you should have already received a note containing the details. Please contact your child's teacher if you are able to help out by taking small groups during these lessons.

CAMP PERMISSION FORMS

A note came home last week outlining our Year 5 & 6 camps this year. Permission forms are due in tomorrow so please get them back to school if you haven't already. If you'd like to be a parent help on camp, remember to complete the extra police vetting form attached. Spare copies of the note were handed to classes today and there are more available in the office.

TENNIS

We are very excited to have Kurt McNamara implement his tennis programme in our school over the next four weeks. This began today with all classes being taught fun games and skills to introduce them to a sport many have not had the chance to have formal coaching in.

TEEBALL AND SOFTBALL

Teams have been finalised and we are getting set to start the season on Tuesday. We have plenty of students who have signed up for Teeball & Softball. In fact we have so many that we are now on the hunt for a few more students in each year level so we can make extra teams rather than having too many subs. If your child would like to play Teeball or Softball, please let the office know tomorrow. Games take place on Tuesdays from 4:30pm - 5:30pm at Victoria Park.

UP AND COMING...

- Monday 20th February - Board Meeting
- Monday 20th February - Thursday 2nd March - Swimming Lessons
- Tuesday 28th February & Wednesday 1st March - Learning Conversations
- Monday 6th March - School Swimming Sports
- Sunday 12th March - Friday 17th March - Year 5/6 Camp

FEILDING RUN, RIDE 'N' SLIDE KIDS TRIATHLON

Run, Ride 'n' Slide Kids Triathlon 2017 16 March at Timona Park, Feilding. First race starts at 5pm. \$2 entry. Pre-register online at www.sportmanawatu.nz, pay on the day, or register on the day. Course distances:

- Ages 4-6: Run 300m, Ride 500m lap & slip and slide
- Ages 7-9: Run 700m, Ride 1km & slip and slide
- Ages 10-12: Run 1.1km, Ride 1.5km & slip and slide.

This will be a great introduction to triathlon for your kids!



SPORT
MANAWATU

TOP CLASSES

- 1st = : R21 & R12 - 77%
- 2nd: R4 - 73%
- 3rd: R15 - 61%

GOLD

- Reid Burr: R13
- Tyrael Hulton: R15

23 Silvers and 152 Bronze certificates were awarded last week.

Please keep in mind, each child has a log in so they can use Mathematics at home.



Together, we learn to live and live to learn